

General Assembly

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LCO No. 1588



Referred to Committee on INSURANCE AND REAL ESTATE

Introduced by: (INS)

## AN ACT CONCERNING THE ELECTRONIC POSTING OF CERTAIN DOCUMENTS BY INSURERS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. (NEW) (Effective October 1, 2014) (a) An insurer may post
- 2 on such insurer's Internet web site any policy, as defined in section
- 3 38a-296 of the general statutes, and endorsement thereto, provided
- 4 such policy or endorsement does not contain any personally
- 5 identifiable information.
- 6 (b) If such insurer elects to post such policy or endorsement on its
- 7 Internet web site in lieu of mailing or delivering such policy or
- 8 endorsement to an insured, such insurer shall:
- 9 (1) Provide to the insured in, or simultaneous with, each
- declarations page provided to the insured at the time of issuance of the
- initial policy and any renewals of such policy (A) a description of the
- 12 specific policy and any endorsement purchased by the insured, (B) a
- method by which the insured may obtain, free of charge upon request,
- 14 a paper copy of the policy and any endorsement thereto, and (C) the

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- 15 Internet web site address where such insured's policy and 16 endorsement are posted;
- 17 (2) Post and have accessible on such insurer's Internet web site the 18 policy and any endorsement thereto for as long as such policy is in 19 force and in such manner that enables the insured to save and print 20 such policy and endorsement using programs or applications that are 21 widely available on the Internet and free to use;
  - (3) Retain, upon the expiration of a policy, records of such expired policy and any endorsement thereto for a period of five years after the date of expiration and make such records available upon request; and
  - (4) Provide notice to the insured, at the time of any changes to the policy or endorsement, of a method by which the insured may obtain, free of charge upon request, a paper copy of the policy and any endorsement thereto and any changes to such policy or endorsement.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	October 1, 2014	New section

## Statement of Purpose:

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To allow insurers to post certain insurance policies and endorsements on such insurers' Internet web sites.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]

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